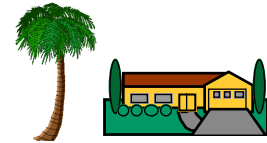


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Cypress Isles Meeting Schedule

Cypress Isles homeowners are invited to all Board of Directors meetings on the third Tuesday of all odd-number months, and especially to the Annual Homeowners' Meeting every May. All meetings are at the WLCA Community Building, 453 Mark Twain Blvd.

Tuesday March 18th	Board meeting at 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday May 20 th	Annual meeting at 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday July 15 th	Board meeting at 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday Sep 16 th	Board meeting at 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday Nov 18th	Board meeting at 5:30 p.m.

The Cypress Isles ARC meets at 700 Cedarwood Court every Monday at 7:00 p.m. to review homeowner applications for property modifications.

Come Join Mulchfest 2025

Mulch spread by volunteers keeps weeds down while keeping costs down.

Our landscaped gardens are the first things to greet you when you enter Cypress Isles, and a layer of mulch helps to keep them looking good, but landscapers charge thousands of dollars to install mulch. So back in 2023, the board decided to save some money in 2024 by buying and spreading the mulch ourselves. Last April some board members were reimbursed \$749 for 159 bags of mulch, which they spread around both entrances with the help of other board members and volunteers. We made the entrances look good and saved money besides.

Nothing lasts forever and the entrances will probably need another mulching this year. The board intends to assess the situation at the March 18th board meeting and plan the next installation, probably in April.

So now is the time to being psyching up to volunteer for Mulchfest 2025. Consider it a late entry New Year's resolution. Check our website www.cypressisles.org after the March meeting for the official date of Mulchfest 2025.

Financial Statements Available

If you enjoyed reading the 2025 budget, you'll love these statements.



If you would like a copy of the Cypress Isles year-end financial or income and expenses statement, please email your request to accounting@towerspropertymgmt.com. The requested document(s) will be sent as soon as they are available.

If you have any questions, please contact me at terina@towerspropertymgmt.com or call 407-730-9872.

Towers Property Management has adjusted their office hours from the original 9:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m. The new office hours are 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. (Monday through Friday).

Terina Stevens, Community Association Manager

Save the Date, Save the Daylight!



It's just around the corner and will be here before you can say "*Oh Bleep, we gotta change all the clocks aGAIN...*"

Daylight Saving Time in the United States will begin at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday March 9th. Set your clocks ahead 1 hour so you won't be late for stuff. If you do it on Saturday, you won't have to stay up until 2:00 a.m. to make the change. 😊

You can recover that hour of sleep when Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday November 2nd... unless you have children or pets. 😊

WLCA Annual and Board Meetings

Bigger Board, shorter meetings

WLCA kicked off 2025 on January. 27th with an annual meeting followed by a board meeting, finishing both meetings in less than two hours.

The most significant decision from the Annual Meeting was the neighborhood presidents' vote against a proposed Declaration amendment to charge new home buyers \$1,000 as an entrance fee. Passage of a Declaration amendment requires affirmative votes representing 2,328 homeowners, which is 75% of the 3,104 homeowners in Waterford Lakes.

The resale fee has now been proposed four times and the presidents defeated it every time with only 32% of the votes on January 24, 2011, 51% on February 26, 2022, 62% on November 4, 2024, and 63% on January 27, 2025.

Maybe the board will stop proposing this amendment?

The next item of business was to elect three new board members -- Bob Fisher, Dwight Mitchell, and Anne Franks – to fill out the 7-member board. The 2025 WLCA Board is:

- Kristen Lambros, President
- Marcos Font, Vice-president
- Kelly Marzullo, Secretary
- Anne Franks, Treasurer
- Sue Parrish, Director at Large
- Bob Fisher, Director at Large
- Dwight Mitchell, Director at Large

There are now three standing committees: The ARC, which plans to meet on the first Tuesday of each month; the ARC Guideline Committee; and the newly combined Finance-Operations Committee.

The board voted to send a letter to the owner of 707 Woodbury at the corner of Woodbury and Lake Underhill stating their intent to ask neighborhood presidents if WLCA should offer \$375,000 for the property – about \$121 per homeowner. This is not an offer to buy the property, just a vehicle for continuing the dialogue with the current property owner.

The board then voted to sell the WLCA party trailer, which was never used, and the Conex container in which it was stored.

The final report was given by Kelsey Elias, the new Lifestyle Coordinator, who presented a list of planned events for the first 6 months of 2025.

Food Truck Night	February 21 st	5pm – 8pm
Pawlympics	March 8 th	11am – 2pm
Spring Festival	April 12 th	11am – 2pm
Community Garage Sale	May 17 th	8am
Food Truck Night	May 30 th	5pm – 8pm
Orange County Utilities Water Wise Program	June 10 th	4pm – 6pm
Red White and Blue Bash	July 4 th	6pm – 9pm

The Annual meeting lasted 45 minutes and the board meeting lasted 60 minutes so the meetings were adjourned at 8:45 – probably the shortest double-meeting evening in WLCA history.

Dennis Horazak, Secretary

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Who Ya Gonna Call?



WLCA Office 453 Mark Twain Blvd.	(answered 24/7) 407-380-3803
Orange County Sheriff's Office Non-emergency	407-836-HELP (4357)
Bear (or other wildlife) issues	888-404-FWCC (3922)
Animal Control (unleashed pets, etc.)	311 – by CELL phones only, or (407) 836-3111
Duke Energy - Report a power outage:	1-800-228-8485
Call before you dig (Sunshine Network)	811
Orange County 311--One Call for Almost Anything	311 – by CELL phones only or (407) 836-3111

Whatcha Gonna Click?



www.ocso.com - to report non-violent crimes online, such as lost property, theft, vandalism, and vehicle burglary, go to www.ocso.com > Crime Information > File Police Report. Read the instructions, scroll down, and click on the type of incident, and fill out the form.

www.ocso.com - Double-click on "Property Crimes and Robberies in Your Zone" then scroll down and select Zone 22B to find out what types of crimes are occurring in your area.

Duke Energy Streetlight Repair or Power Outage www.progress-energy.com > Report an Outage>

A streetlight or area light needs repair > Request a light repair, then follow the prompts to point to the light pole on the map.

You can sign up for power outage alerts and notifications by text or voice message—free service offered by Duke Energy, but standard rates apply according to your text plan. Check with your mobile carrier.

<http://www.orangecountyfl.net/AnimalsPets/ascForm.aspx#.VNTxUMZ9tiU> - Animal Services complaint

CLICK before you dig (Sunshine Network)

www.call811.com

Miscellaneous Services – Go to> www.cypressisles.org and scroll down to "Whose job is it anyway?"

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(Group "Awwwww!")

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